



Appendix 5 – Lynx Habitat Guidelines Checklist

Ecoprovince

- ☒ The sale does not include a designated lynx travel route. (GO TO LMZ)
The sale area includes a designated lynx travel route. (PROCEED)
- ☐ The sale maintains at least 330 feet of forested habitat along the travel route, unless the route crosses an Open Area.
- ☐ The edge of the forested zone along the travel corridor follows the contour of the landscape.
- ☐ Vegetative cover is maintained along the route, as appropriate for site. (GO TO LMZ)

Lynx Management Zone (LMZ)

- ☒ The sale maintains connectivity within the zone. (GO TO LAU)

Lynx Analysis Unit (LAU)

- ☒ The sale occurs outside the areas listed below. (GO TO SMALL ECOSYSTEM)
The sale occurs within LAUs of Loomis or the Little Pend Oreille (LAU 18). (PROCEED)
- ☐ The sale does not contribute to >30 percent Temporary Non-lynx Areas within the LAU.
- ☐ Looking back 10 years from the date of the proposed sale and including the sale area, no more than 15 percent of the forested lynx habitat in a LAU has been converted to Temporary Non-lynx Areas in a 10-year period in an LAU.
- ☐ The sale does not contribute to more than 10 percent of a LAU being managed at the lower levels of forested habitat (180 tpa, >8' tall).
- ☐ Looking back 10 years from the date of the proposed sale and including the sale area, no more than 5 percent of the forested lynx habitat in a LAU has been converted to the minimum forested habitat condition (180 tpa, >8' tall) within a 10 year period.
- ☐ The sale does not decrease Denning Habitat below 10 percent of the LAU.
- ☐ The sale maintains connection from Forage Habitat to forested habitat.

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- ☐ The sale maintains ≥ 50 percent of the area surrounding Denning Habitat as forested habitat.
 - ☐ The sale incorporates road design/closure measures to minimize human or other disturbance.
(GO TO SMALL ECOSYSTEM)

Small Ecosystem/Ecological Community

- ☐ The sale design promotes swift vegetative regeneration and snowshoe hare/lynx recolonization through unit size, shape, composition, and the regeneration techniques.
- ☐ If the sale involves pre-commercial thinning, self-pruning processes in the stand have excluded most limbs within 2' of average snow pack, or the sale area either occurs under an approved research program or within the white pine seed orchard.
- ☐ The sale area has been screened for denning habitat and timing restriction applied as necessary.
- ☐ The sale has been surveyed for den sites, so there are ≥ 2 per square mile section. (END)